Part 2: Using Benchmarking Results to Understand your Building's Performance

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Presentation Video Links:

What is the 1-100 ENERGY STAR score and certification for buildings?

Watch Now: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=--k1MS7FBEE

Building Knowledge with ENERGY STAR: Energy Use Intensity & Weather Normalized Energy Use Intensity

Watch Now: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u3wbcxhHdHk

Summary of Frequently Asked Questions:

1. Using Portfolio Manager to Benchmark

- How should a property with mixed uses report the different property use types?
 - o FAQ: When should I create separate property uses?
 - o FAQ: What property type should I use?
- How should I benchmark my campus property? What constitutes as a single property?
 - FAQ: What constitutes a single structure? What if multiple buildings are connected via walkways or common space?
 - o FAQ: What constitutes a campus?
- How do ENERGY STAR score updates work in Portfolio Manager?
 - o FAQ: Are historical scores updated when EPA does a "score update"?
- How do I share properties in Portfolio Manager?
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- How can I access more training resources for using Portfolio Manager?
 - o <u>Upcoming webinars, recorded webinars, slide library, and demonstration videos</u>

2. Energy Data and Metrics in Portfolio Manager

- How do I benchmark onsite solar energy in Portfolio Manager?
 - o Please refer to the Onsite Green Power (that I Generate) FAQ category
- Can I combine tenant meters into a single aggregate meter?
 - o FAQ: Can I combine 30 meters into one?
- How do you set energy performance goals in Portfolio Manager?
 - o FAQ: What is a target and how do I set one?
- How do I set up utility data sharing so that I don't need to manually enter utility bills?
 - o FAQ: Can I ask my utility to send energy data directly to Portfolio Manager?
- Should my utility bills be calendarized?
 - o FAQ: <u>Can/Should I calendarize my bills? They are mid-month to mid-month.</u>
- How are my GHG emissions calculated?
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- What is Energy Use Intensity (EUI)?
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3. Ordinance-Specific Questions

- How do I reach out to my state/local jurisdiction if I have specific questions about compliance?
 - o FAQ: Contacts for state/local compliance ordinances
- How do I find my Standard ID to enter into Portfolio Manager?
 - You will need to reach out to your benchmarking jurisdiction to obtain your Standard ID
 - FAQ: <u>Standard IDs in Portfolio Manager</u>
- How do I respond to a data request in Portfolio Manager?
 - o How to respond to data requests in Portfolio Manager